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1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED WITH MR. K.N. JOHRY, SCIENTIST-IN-CHARGE, INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATION, COUNCIL OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH, NEW DELHI, THE CONTENTS OF REFTEL. MR. JOHRY STRONGLY ADVISES THAT THE VISIT BE POSTPONED SINCE CSIR NEEDS TIME TO OBTAIN CLEARANCE ON THE FIELD STUDIES OF COAL FORMATIONS THAT CROSS WANTS TO UNDERTAKE BETWEEN LUCKNOW AND CALCUTTA AND FOR VISIT TO THE RACNHI INSTITUTE. THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA HAS NOT YET RECEIVED APPROVAL FOR CROSS'S VISIT. MOREOVER, CSIR WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE PURPOSE OF CROSS'S PROPOSED FIELD STUDY OF COAL FORMATIONS. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HAVE COPIES OF INVITATION LETTERS THAT HE HAS RECEIVED FROM RANCHI. IF POSTPONING TO JANUARY 22 DOES NOT SUIT CROSS,, JOHRY SUGGESTS HE POSTPONE HIS VISIT TO MARCH OR APRIL. JOHRY FEELS THAT GETTING GOI CLEARANCE PARTICULARLY FOR FIELD STUDIES OF COAL FORMATION MAY TAKE TIME.

2. HOWEVER, JOHRY SAYS THAT IF CROSS IS UNABLE TO POSTPONE HIS VISIT TO INDIA THEN HE COULD VISIT INDIA AS PLANNED BUT FOR TWO REPEAT TWO WEEKS ONLY TO ATTEND THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PALEOBOTANY IN LUCKNOW DECEMBER 29-JANUARY 5 FOLLOWED BY ONE WEEK VISIT TO OIL AND NATURAL GAS COMMISSION,  
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DEHRA DUN. MR. JOHRY WANTS TO BE SURE THAT THE VISIT IS RESTRICTED TO THESE TWO PLACES ONLY AND FOR TWO WEEKS AT THAT IF THE VISIT HAS TO BE UNDERTAKEN NOW.

3. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP.SCHNEIDER

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